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Community Development Block Grant

IACC Conference - Wenatchee

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We strengthen communities

The Department of Commerce touches every aspect of community and economic development. We work with local governments, businesses and civic leaders to strengthen communities so all residents may thrive and prosper.



Planning



Infrastructure



Community
Facilities



Housing



Safety /
Crime Victims

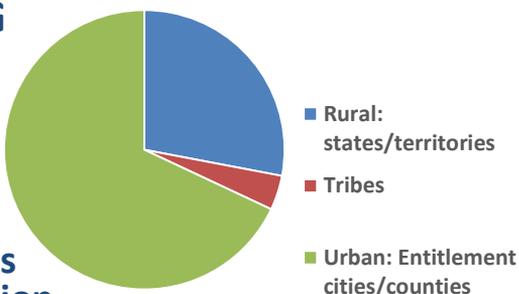


Business
Assistance

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National CDBG distribution



- Entitlement status based on population
- WA State CDBG administered by Commerce

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Local CDBG & State CDBG Programs



<p>Non-Entitlement Counties</p> <p>These counties and the cities/towns in these counties except the 11 listed to the far right, are served by the state CDBG program.</p>	<p>Entitlement Counties</p> <p>These 7 counties and the cities/towns in these counties are not served by the state CDBG program except Bonney Lake in Pierce County.</p>	<p>Entitlement cities not served by the state CDBG program, but in non-entitlement counties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anacortes Bellingham Longview Mount Vernon Richland, Pasco, Kennewick Wenatchee, East Wenatchee Walla Walla Yakima
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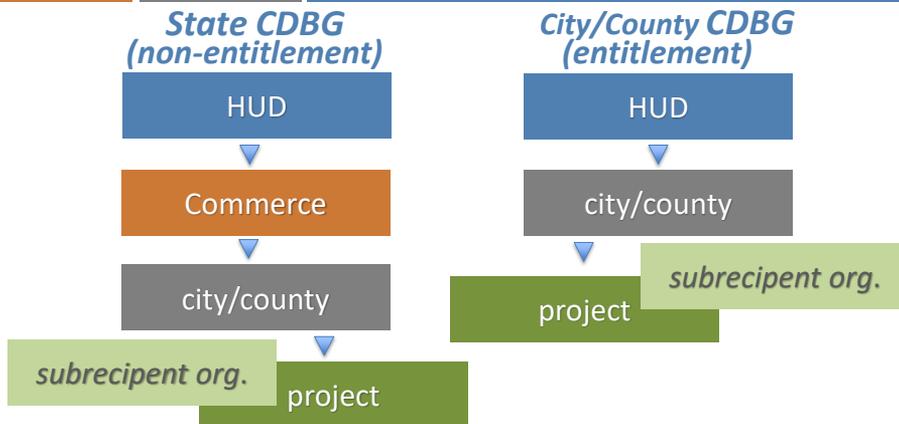
Each CDBG program has own application process

Each local CDBG program and CDBG state program designed to meet local needs:

Each will:

1. Assess needs and determine priorities
2. Submit a 5-yr Plan and annual Action Plans to HUD
3. Select projects for their CDBG funding

CDBG Fund Flow



CDBG Eligible Activities

Planning, acquisition, design and construction

1. Public infrastructure
2. Public or nonprofit facilities
3. Housing rehabilitation including side services
4. In support of some affordable housing and job creation projects

Public services



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CDBG Ineligible Activities

- Government administrative buildings
- Operations and maintenance
- New housing construction



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CDBG Purpose = Benefit LMI Persons

LMI = low- and moderate-income

- up to 80% of area median income
- Ex. \$47,500 four person family in Grant Co.

How to document LMI benefit

depends on type of project!

1. Area benefit
2. Direct benefit

1. Project Will Benefit Everyone in an Area

Define the benefit area

- City/town or district boundaries
- System or facility service area

**At least 51% of area population
must be LMI**



Area LMI Data Resources

HUD LMI % Calculations

- Online, interactive HUD CDBG LMI Map
- List on Commerce CDBG webpage

Income Survey

- IACC Survey (for multiple funders)
- CDBG Survey

2. Project Directed to LMI persons

Direct assistance programs (all persons LMI)

Ex. local housing rehabilitation program,
regional microenterprise assistance program

- Person applies for assistance and income qualifies
- Documentation = tax records, pay stubs, etc.

Limited Clientele projects (over half persons LMI)

Facility/service's purpose to benefit LMI persons

1. Has user income data, or
2. HUD Presume LMI Group
Ex. elderly persons = senior center, homeless shelter

2 Other CDBG Objectives

Used under limited circumstances:

- Prevent or eliminate slum/blight
- Address immediate threat to public health & safety



Doesn't require benefit to LMI



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WA St CDBG General Purpose Grants

March Application workshops

June Due date

September Awards

\$750,000 Construction or acquisition

\$500,000 Housing rehabilitation

\$250,000 Microenterprise assistance

\$24,000 Planning

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Federal Grant Requirements

- Environmental Review (SEPA/NEPA)
- Procurement requirements
- Davis-Bacon Prevailing Wage
- Civil Rights compliance
- Acquisition & Relocation (seller/tenant rights)
- Audit
- Subrecipient monitoring

CDBG - Recommended Next Steps

1. Determine project fit with CDBG
 - Eligible activity, benefit to LMI, high need
2. Develop project budget
3. Est grant need using Rate Affordability Review
4. Research and apply to funding (loan) partners
5. Visit website for CDBG news and documents
6. Attend CDBG workshop in March

Federal Budget Decreases and Delays

2018 \$12 million to state CDBG

- 9% more than 2017
- 25% less than 2010

2019 \$?

- Range from \$0 to \$12 million

April - hope Congress approves allocation

August – hope 2019 funds available

How to find info for each CDBG programs

Local CDBG programs:

- Search CDBG on city or county website

WA State CDBG program:

- www.commerce.wa.gov/cdbg

Tribal CDBG program:

- HUD Northwest Office of Native American Programs

Website – www.commerce.wa.gov/cdbg

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PROGRAM LINKS

- [CDBG General Purpose Grants](#)
- [CDBG Specialty Grants](#)
- [2015-19 Consolidated Plan and 2016 Action Plan](#)

RESOURCES

- [Guidance Materials \(PDF\)](#)
- [CDBG Fact Sheet \(PDF\)](#)
- [Management Handbook & Forms - Construction](#)
- [HUD Link Data for non-entitlement communities \(PDF\)](#)
- [2015 CDBG Funding Cycle \(PDF\)](#)
- [Drinking water and wastewater funding summary \(PDF\)](#)
- [Public Works Board](#)
- [Infrastructure Assistance Coordinating Council \(IACC\)](#)
- [Municipal Research Services Center of Washington](#)
- [SMA - System for Award Management](#)
- [US Dept of Housing and Urban Development \(HUD\)](#)

WHO CAN APPLY?

- Small, rural cities/towns and counties that are not entitled to receive CDBG funds directly from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) can apply for a state CDBG grant.
- Cities and towns with population less than 50,000, not participating in a CDBG Entitlement Urban County Consortium; and counties with populations less than 200,000.

NEED HELP?
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